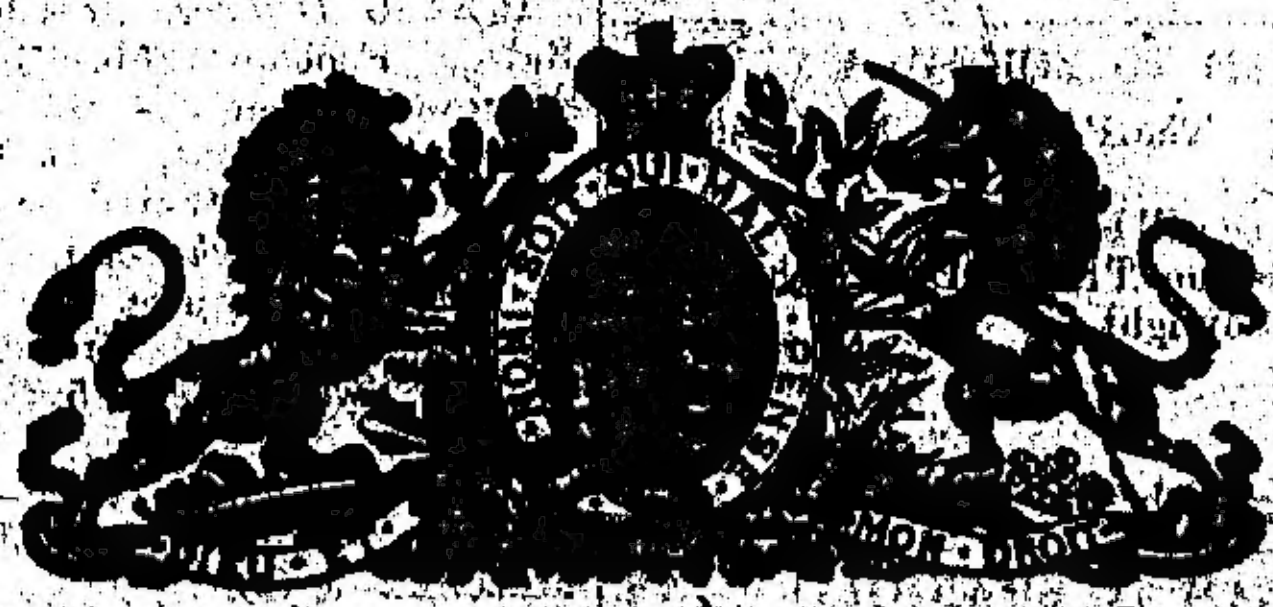


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INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the monthly minimum balance, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained at the office.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND, 100,000 Dollars.

COVER OF DIRECTORS.

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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.

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On bills granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

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JAMES GRIGG, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, January 27, 1876.

HONGKONG

HORTICULTURAL SHOW, 1876.

THE ANNUAL FLOWER, FRUIT, and VEGETABLE SHOW will be held in the PUBLIC GARDENS on FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 18th and 19th Instants.

Open to Visitors on each day at 2 p.m.

Inviting Exhibitors are invited to send Plants in Pots on the 17th Instant, and Vegetables and Outflowers before 10 a.m. on the 18th Instant.

By kind permission of the Colonel and Officers of H. M.'s 28th Regiment, the Band will play.

Admission.—50 cents. Tickets obtainable at Messrs LAY, CRAWFORD & Co., or by Payment at the Gates.

Hongkong, February 12, 1876.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I Have this day authorized Mr J. Y. V. SHAW to sign my name per procurationem.

A. MACG. HEATON.

Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

FROM this date and until further notice, Mr G. DE CHAMPEAUX will act, as this Port, as Agent of the above Company.

By Order of the Directors, C. BERTRAND.

Hongkong, January 29, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE interest and responsibility of the late Mr SIDNEY DEACON in our Firm, ceased on the 9th September last.

Mr ALFRED T. DOVAL was admitted a Partner therein on the 1st ultimo.

DEACON & Co.

Canton, February 1, 1876.

NOTICE.

MR. OTTO GRABE has been admitted a Partner in our Firm from 1st January, 1876.

E. MEYER & Co.

Tientsin, January 1876.

NOTICE.

WE have Established branches of our Firm at Hongkong and Hankow. Mr E. CONSTANTIN is authorized to sign by procuration in Tongkin.

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

NOTICE.

MR. MEYER ELIAS SASSOON has been admitted a Partner in our Firm from the 1st January ultimo.

E. D. SASSOON & Co.

Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have entered into Co-partnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Ship-brokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY.

A. G. MORRIS.

E. C. RAY.

Bank Buildings, Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

Intimations.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, marked on the covers, "Tenders for Supply of Goods," will be received by the Undersigned until Noon on SATURDAY, the 19th Inst., for the undermentioned SUPPLIES and SERVICES required by the War Department at Hongkong and Outposts, during the year from the 1st April, 1876, to the 31st Mar., 1877, viz:—

1.—For Her Majesty's Troops:—Provisions, Fuel and Light, &c., &c.

2.—For Hospitals:—Provisions, Wines, Porter, Ale, Spirits, &c., &c.

3.—Washing and Repairing Barrack and Hospital Bedding and Clothing; Repairing Utensils.

4.—Cleaning the Roads, Parades, &c., at the various Cantonments, and other Scavengers' work; also Cleaning and Lighting Exterior Lamps, &c., &c.

5.—Cleaning Chimneys, Flues and Stove Pipes.

6.—Cleaning Nullah.

There will be separate Tender for each of the five items. No tender will be accepted from any person in Government employ.

Specimens of certain of the articles required, in accordance with which supplies must be furnished, can be seen at this office, where also Forms of Tender (no other than those issued by the Department will be recognized), conditions of contract, Specification and plan of the Scavenging Contract, and any further information that may be required, can be obtained upon application between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily.

C. B. SHERVINTON, Lieut.-Colonel, Assistant Controller, Control Office.

Hongkong, February 14, 1876.

OFFICERS' MESS, 28th REGT.

THE Officers 28th Regt. will not hold themselves responsible for any Debts contracted by their Messmates.

By Order, FRANCIS E. WEBB, Capt. & Mess President.

Murray Barracks, Hongkong, February 15, 1876.

TENDERS are invited up to the 19th Inst., at Noon, for putting up for Examination and making the necessary Repairs to the British Battery James' Fort.

Also for the supply of such Yellow Metal and Balls (if any) as may be required.

Apply to Capt. McPHERSON.

Hongkong, February 15, 1876.

Intimations.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Company, Club Chambers, on MONDAY, the 28th February, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1875, the Report of the Directors; for the election of Directors and Auditors; also to declare a Dividend.

By Order of the Board, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 12, 1876.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 29th Instant, both days included.

By Order, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 12, 1876.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the Corporation will be held at the Club Chambers, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 17th current, at Two o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors; together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1875.

By Order of the Board of Directors, JAMES GRIGG, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 8, 1876.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the REGISTERED SHAREHOLDERS of the Corporation will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 17th current, (both days included), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, JAMES GRIGG, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 8, 1876.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company, will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, on THURSDAY, the 17th FEBRUARY next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st DECEMBER 1875, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, January 17, 1876.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 17th February Next, both days included.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, January 17, 1876.

WANTED, TO CHARTER, a VESSEL.

to carry 300 to 500 Tons large Tasmanian Coal, either from Hongkong or Newcastle to Providence Bay, Beihing's Straits, in Lat. 64 deg. 22m. 50.7s. N., Long. 173 deg. 17m. 15.5s. W. To arrive about 15th June.

Tenders cannot be received after 26th Instant.

For Particulars, apply, between 9 and 11 a.m., to

Captain NOVOSILSKY, H.R.M.S. "VADNICK."

Hongkong, February 15, 1876.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Seventh Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 59, Queen's Road, Victoria, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of FRIDAY, the 18th February Next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts, and the Report of the Directors for the Year ending 31st December, 1875.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 18th February, both days inclusive.

By Order, JAS. B. COUGHLIN, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 28, 1876.

Intimations.

HOTEL DES COLONIES, SHANGHAI.

LES Propriétaires de l'Hotel des Colonies ont l'honneur d'informer M. M. les Voyageurs qu'ils viennent d'annexer à leur restaurant, dont la haute renommée est bien connue, une nouvelle maison, y adjoignant, qui leur permet d'offrir des Chambres Splendides réunissant tout le confort, le confortable, Chambres pour familles, Salles de Bains, &c., &c.

Voitures à la disposition de M. M. les Voyageurs. La Salle de Billard et la Barre sont complètement séparés de l'Hotel ce qui est une sécurité pour le bien-être des visiteurs.

Les soins les plus minutieux sont apportés dans tous les services, tout est garanti pour M. M. les Voyageurs dont le patronage est sollicité.

A. SOISSON & Co., Propriétaires.

Shanghai, le 10 Février, 1876.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Dividend, at the rate of 4% or 8% per share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held this day, will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after THURSDAY, the 27th Instant. Shareholders are requested to apply at the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. de COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 24, 1876.

Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE OF HIS EXCELLENCY SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, K.C.M.G., C.B.

THE French "OPERA COMIQUE TROUPE," lately of Paris, Lyons, St. Petersburg, New York and Saigon, will give their last Performance but one, on

Thursday Next, February 17th, 1876.

"Mr. Chouffeur restera chez lui le 16."

Operette Bouffe, Music by Offenbach. Chouffeur,.....Mlle. Ponet. Babille,.....Mlle. Legros. Ernestine,.....Madame Dorville.

"LES NOCES DE JEANNETTE." Opera Comique Music by Victor Massé. Jean,.....Mlle. Legros. Jeannette,.....Madame Dorville.

ADMISSION.—Dress Circle and Stalls, 2s; Back Seats, 1s.

Doors open at 8 o'clock; Performance to commence at 9.

Tickets may be had and seats secured at Messrs. KNOX & Co., also at the door of the Theatre, on the night of Performance.

HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY.

THE THIRD CONCERT of the Season will be given in the City Hall on TUESDAY EVENING, February 22nd, commencing at 8 o'clock.

Tickets may be obtained of Messrs LAY, CRAWFORD & Co., on and after SATURDAY Next.

ROBERT G. ALFORD, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, February 14, 1876.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

SUBSTANTIAL ENGLISH AND COLONIAL MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ENGRAVINGS, GLASSWARE, PLATED WARE, PIANO, &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from JOHN G. SMITH, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, the 22nd day of February, 1876, at Noon, at his residence, "Idle Wild," owing to change of residence.

The whole of his Substantial English and Colonial-made Household FURNITURE, &c., comprising: Drawing, Dining and Bed Room Suites, Glassware, Plated Ware, Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast Sets, Engravings, Fine Carpets, Gas Brackets, Carpets, Window Curtains and Cornices, Marble-top Tables, Book Cases, Dining Table, Slide Board, Wharfedale, Chairs, Iron Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Toilet Tables, Washstands and Services, &c., &c.

A Cottage PIANO.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Feb. 16, 1876.

Auctions.

FURNITURE SALE.

ELEGANT ENGLISH AND CANTON-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, SEMI-GRAND PIANO, PARK PHAETON AND PAIR OF PONIES.

A FINE COLLECTION OF TREES, CAMELLIAS, ROSES, AND OTHER CHOICE PLANTS.

L. ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, the 29th February, 1876, at Noon, at "DUART" CAIRNE ROAD,

The Residence of the Honourable T. C. HAYLAND, Esq.,

The whole of his Handsome and Substantially made HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising:—

Handsomely Carved EBONY SIDE and CENTRE TABLES, Mahogany Marone Morocco Covered COUCHES and CHAIRS, Covered Bombay Blackwood COUCHES, and FLOWER STANDS, Inlaid Ormolu CHEFFONIER, and Japanese CARBINE, Handsome Mantelpiece MIRRORS, OIL PAINTINGS, OEROMOLITHOGRAPHS, ENGRAVINGS, CARPET, Window Curtains, Gilt Cornices, Gasaliers, Aquariums, Bronze and Forcelain VASES.

Handsome BOOK CASE, Carved SIDEBOARD with MIRROR BACK, Glass and Crockery Ware, Silver and Electro Plated Table Ware, Wharfedale, Chairs, Clocks, Plated Candlesticks.

Handsome GILT BRASS BEDSTEAD with Feather Mattresses, BUREAU with Mirror, Wardrobes, Chest of Drawers, Marble-top Washstands, Toilet Glasses, Chery Glasses, Iron and Brass Bedsteads, Lamps, &c., &c., &c.

A GRAND PIANO by J. BROADWOOD & Sons, made expressly to stand this Climate.

One 4-wheeled PARK PHAETON, by LEMMY, with a pair of WHITE PONIES, and Double Set SILVER MOUNTED HARNESS.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Sedan CHAIRS, &c., &c., &c.

The Carriage and Ponies, and the Plants will be sold at 4 o'clock.

Catalogues will be issued prior to the Sale, and the Furniture will be on view on MONDAY, the 28th February, 1876.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. The lots, with all faults and errors of description whatsoever, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, Feb. 14, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW. The Steamship "K'WANGTUNG," Captain PITMAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co. Agents.

Hongkong, February 14, 1876.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "LORD OF THE ISLES" will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Sale.

CLEARANCE SALE.

SAYLE & Co. will offer, on and after **TUESDAY** Next, the 18th Instant, the remainder of their Winter Stock at Greatly Reduced Prices, consisting of:—

Winter Costumes and Polonaises.
Ladies' Jackets and Mantillas.
Fancy Dress materials of all kinds.
Wool Plaids and Flannels.
Silks and Poplins.
Wool Shawls and Cloaks.
Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats and Bonnets.
Fancy Wool Goods.
Lace and Linen Sets.
Scarves and Sashes.
Boys' Suits.
Children's Dresses.

&c., &c., &c.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

FOR SALE.

THE UNDERMENTIONED LAND AND BUILDINGS.

AT HONGKONG:—
INLAND LOT 82.—The well-known House and Offices lately occupied by Messrs A. Heard & Co., adjoining the Cathedral Compound.

The Ground below the masonry retaining wall of the above, abutting on the Queen's Road.

Annual Crown rent, \$890.48.
MARINE LOT 111, WANGHAI.—First-class and extensive Godowns.

Annual Crown rent, \$324.
INLAND LOT 801.—Situated on the Bonham Road and one of the finest sites for Villa residences in the Colony.

Annual Crown rent, \$70.78.
FARM LOT 17, POKKORUM, adjoining Messrs Butterfield & Swire's premises.

Annual Crown rent, \$25.
AT KOWLOONG:—

MARINE LOT 4.—With a frontage of 100 feet on the Fringe, and with an area of 80,000 feet.

Reduced Annual Crown rent, \$10.
AT YOKOHAMA:—

LOTS No. 6 and No. 27 in the Foreign Settlement.

No. 6 is situated on the Bund, and comprises an eight-roomed Dwelling House, detached, with Garden all round, Offices, Godowns, Servants' Quarters and Out-houses. Area 1,064 Tanbous of 36 square feet.

Annual Ground rent, \$263.72.
No. 27 is separated from No. 6 by Water Street and comprises large Tea Firing and other Godowns, Floor Silk Press, Compressor's Quarters, Stabling and Fire Engine House. Area, 554 Tanbous.

Ground rent, \$154.97 per annum.
Applications for purchase, or further information, to be made to

T. G. WHITTALL,
J. G. LINSTEAD,
Trustees A. Heard & Co.'s Estate,
23, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

TAKASIMA COILLERY.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

FOR SALE.
FRESH Takasima COAL, in lots to suit purchasers. Large, Hand-picked, Double-screened at \$8 per Ton. SMALL, at \$6 per Ton.

Apply to **T. G. GLOVER,**
No. 7, Queen's Road and at East Point.
Hongkong, December 3, 1875.

ON SALE.
THE CHINESE READER'S MANUAL.

A HANDBOOK of Biographical, Historical, Mythological and General Literary References.

BY **WILLIAM FREDERICK MAYERS.**
Price \$3.

Shanghai,.....**Kelly & Co.**
Hongkong,.....**"CHINA MAIL" OFFICE.**

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

BRITISH SHIP GAZETTE, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under- signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel, will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 30, 1875.

BRITISH BARK MARINA, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under- signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel, will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

ARNHOLD, KARRING & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, February 4, 1876.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

BRITISH SHIP GARRICKS, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under- signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel, will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, February 14, 1876. fe17

S. S. LORD OF THE ISLES, FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THIS Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed, at their risk, by Mr. A. McE. HAZARD, into the Godowns of Messrs Gilman & Co., whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf, are at liberty to do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m. To-morrow.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 22nd Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.**

Hongkong, February 14, 1876. fe23

GERMAN STEAMSHIP "BELLONA," TONKIN, Master, FROM HAMBURG VIA SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Under- signed, from whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to take their Goods from the boats alongside the Wharf, are at liberty to do so.

Goods remaining in store after the 24th Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given until 12 o'clock on the 15th Instant.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **WM. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.**

Hongkong, January 14, 1876. fe24

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per German Barque **IRIS, WENDT, Master,** from Hamburg, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **WM. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.**

Hongkong, January 3, 1876.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE.
THE Post of Secretary being about to become vacant, Applications for the same addressed to the Chairman will be received up to the 25th Instant. Salary \$1,500 per annum.

Hongkong, January 13, 1876.

To Let.

TO LET.
With Immediate Possession.

TWO Dwelling Houses and Offices, Nos. 14 and 16, Stanley Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs RAYNAL & Co.

The House No. 35, Wellington Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs ROSE & Co.

The Dwelling House and Offices, No. 1, Stanley Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs DRYDEN & Co.

The Dwelling House No. 4, Alexandra Terrace.

The Store and Dwelling House, No. 31, Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of Miss GARRATT.

The House and Offices No. 3, D'Aguiar Street, lately in the occupation of Mr F. DREYER.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Hongkong, December 20, 1875.

TO BE LET.

WITH Possession on 1st March next, the commodious and centrally situated Dwelling House at present in the occupation of Dr. O'BRIEN.

For all particulars, apply to **ROBERT G. ALFORD,** Surveyor, Club Chambers.

Hongkong, January 29, 1876. fe29

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS STORAGE, GODOWNS, on the Fringe.
Apply to **TAYLOR & THOMPSON.**

Hongkong, November 20, 1875.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 5, Zeland Street.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Hongkong, February 6, 1876.

To-day's Advertisements.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.
The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. **"SINDA"** will leave for the above place on **THURSDAY**, the 17th Instant, at Daylight.

A. MOIVER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, February 16, 1876.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo at through rates for NAGASAKI & HIOGO.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. **"LOMBARDY"** will leave for the above place on **THURSDAY**, the 17th Instant, at 4 p.m.

A. MOIVER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, February 16, 1876.

FOR NINGPO & SHANGHAI.
The Steamship **"CHINA,"**

P. H. HEMMING, Master, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, Thursday, the 17th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **SHERMSEN & Co.,**
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe17

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.
The Steamship **"CASSANDRA,"**

Captain LANGER, will leave for the above Ports on **MONDAY**, the 21st Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe21

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.
Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for HANKOW, NINGPO & PORTS IN JAPAN.

The Company's Steamship **"DIOMED,"** will be despatched on or about the 23rd Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**
Agents.

Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe25

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Company's Steamship **"MENELAUS,"** will be despatched on or about the 23rd Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**
Agents.

Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe25

FOR SALE.

SOME very superior OLD PORT WINE, just received, in cases of One or Two Dozen bottles each.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Room, Fringe, on

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Iron Plates.

Sheet Zinc and Sheet Lead.

100 casks Portland Cement.

&c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, Feb. 16, 1876. fe18

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUER, ISMAILA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES;

Also, BOMBAY, ST. DENIS AND PORT LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 24th February, 1876, at Noon, the Company's S. S. **DIOMED**, Commandant FLAMMARION, with MAILED, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Passengers will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping orders will be granted till noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 23rd February, 1876. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, February 16, 1876. fe24

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 16, Lombardy, Brit. Steamer, 1725, Gillion, Bombay Jan. 28, Galle 30, Penang Feb. 10, Singapore 11, Males and General.

P. & O. S. N. Co.

Feb. 16, Oceanic, British Steamer, 8845, H. Fenell, San Francisco Jan. 18 and Hongkong Feb. 10, Males and General.

J. & G. S. N. Co.

ARRIVALS.
Feb. 16, Douglas, British steamer, 864, Burnie, Foonchow Feb. 13, Amoy 14, and Swatow 15, General.—D. LAURENCE & Co.
Feb. 16, Fighant, Brit. despatch vessel, 835, H. Ryder, Manila Feb. 12.
Feb. 16, Peng-chao-hai, Chinese gunboat, Palmer, from a cruise.
Feb. 16, Norma, British steamer, 606, Walker, Swatow Feb. 15, General.—K'wook Anghong.
Feb. 16, Albatros, German barque, 377, F. Koppelman, Saigon Jan. 16, Rice.—MALCHERS & Co.

DEPARTURES.
Feb. 16, H.M.S. Himalaya, for Singapore.
16, Little Orphan, for Newchwang.
16, Chinkiang, for Shanghai.
16, Penado, for Saigon.
16, Thales, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.
Pardo, for Saigon.
Rajah, for Swatow.
Bigs, for Swatow.
China, for Shanghai via Ningpo.
Altona, for Saigon.
Lucas, for Bangkok.
Fuehing, for Canton.
Batapona, for Saigon.
Fortune, for Bangkok.
Kwangtung, for Swatow, &c.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.—Per Lombardy, for Hongkong: from Southampton, Lieut. W. Goddard, Mr. and Mrs. Samuels; from Penang, one Rank and File, R.A.; and one Chinese; from Singapore, General Colborne's servant and eight Chinese. For Swatow: from Penang, one Chinese. For Shanghai: from Southampton, Mrs. Evans's Amah; from Singapore, Mr. D. Parker.
Per Oceanic, 58 Chinese.
Per Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Harton and child, Mr. Mawha and two children, Messrs Brander, Northey, Morejon, Fomalbi, and Stuhlmann, and 59 Chinese.
Per Norma, Capt. Simpson, and 100 Chinese.
TO DEPART.—Per Gwallior, for Singapore, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Kerr and servant, Mr. Butcher, and 2 Chinese. For Bombay, Messrs. Meyer, Allen. For Southampton, Messrs. O. Williams, W. Clark, W. Pantan, and Tomita.
Per Sunda, for Yokohama, Messrs. Roper, J. Burt and Dr. R. A. Barker.
Per Lombardy, for Shanghai, Mr. D. Parker, and Mrs. Evans's amah.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The British steamer Douglas reports: experienced moderate N.E. winds and cloudy weather throughout. Passed Company's steamer Yess South of Thunder Head. In Amoy, str. Ulysses. In Swatow, str. Norma and Amoy.
The German barque Albatros reports: first part of passage fresh N.E. winds and latter part light N.E. winds and thick weather to port.
The British steamer Norma reports: light N.E. winds and gloomy weather the whole passage.

CARGO.
Per Gwallior, for London, 329 bales Raw Silk, and 4 boxes Silk Piece Goods. For Continent, 328 bales Raw Silk. For India, 250 packages Silk, and 170 packages Tea.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE:—
For NINGPO & SHANGHAI.—
Per CHINA, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 17th Instant.

For SHANGHAI, HANKOW, NINGPO, NAGASAKI, OHIOFOO, TAKU, TIENTSIN & PEKING.—
Per LOMBARDY, at 8 p.m. To-morrow, the 17th Inst. Late Letters from 3.10 to 3.30 p.m.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per BELLONA, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 17th Inst.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per LORD OF THE ISLES, at 3.30 p.m. on Thursday, the 17th Inst.

For SINGAPORE, SOMERSET, COOK-TOWN, CLEVELAND BAY, BOWEN, ROCKHAMPTON, KEPPEL BAY, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, TASMANIA AND MELBOURNE.—
Per BOWEN, at 11.30 a.m. on Friday, the 18th Inst.

For SINGAPORE & RANGOON.—
Per BURMERE, at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, the 18th Instant.

For COOKTOWN.—
Per NAMOA, at 11.30 a.m. on Saturday, the 19th Inst.

For SINGAPORE AND PENANG.—
Per CASSANDRA, at 2.30 p.m. on Monday, the 21st Instant.

MAILS BY THE EXPRESS PACKER.
The English Contract Packet Gwallior, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 16th Inst.
8 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

8 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night, Thursday, 17th Inst.

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 15 cents extra Postage until

11 a.m., when the Post Office closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via Brindisi or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet on payment of a Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage.

11.30 a.m., Posting on Board ceases.

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.
General Post Office, Hongkong, Feb. 4, 1876. fe17

MAILS BY THE EXPRESS PACKER.
The French Contract Packet DIOMED, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom via Marseilles; to Europe, Saigon, Singapore, Galle, Aden, Newchwang, Amoy, Swatow, Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama.

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.
General Post Office, Hongkong, February 10, 1876. fe24

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.
Daylight.—Kwangtung leaves for Swatow, Amoy and Foonchow.

Daylight.—Sunda leaves for Yokohama.

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

3 p.m.—China leaves for Ningpo and Shanghai.

4 p.m.—Lombardy leaves for Shanghai.

4 p.m.—Bellona leaves for Shanghai.

4 p.m.—Lord of the Isles leaves for Shanghai.

Ulysses leaves for London on or about this date.

Meetings.
2 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at City Hall.

3 p.m.—Seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited.

Amusements.
9 p.m.—Opera Comique at City Hall.

TO ADVERTISERS.
It is requested that all advertisements be sent, when practicable, by 4 p.m., to allow of the early issue of the paper.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.00 p.m.

BIRTHS.
At Hongkong, February 15th, the Wife of W. G. Humphreys, of a Son.

On the 28th Dec., the Wife of Herbert A. Giles, of a Son.

On the 1st Jan., at Rotterdam, the Wife of Henry Turing, British Vice-Consul, of a Son.

MARRIAGES.
On the 28th Dec., at the Parish Church, Fulwood, by the Rev. Edmund B. Chalmers, M.A., Vicar, and E. Botcher Chalmers, M.A., Incumbent of Sharrow, the father and brother of the bride, Edward F. Hague, of Shanghai, to Edith Emily Chalmers, of Fulwood.

On the 4th Jan., at St. Outhbert's, Theford

are to protect the employes while new light-houses are being built, and at other times to cruise up and down the Coast to visit and inspect the light-houses and see that they are in proper order. The three classes are therefore—

1. Blockaders, 3 vessels.
 2. Anti-pirate cruisers, 5 vessels.
 3. Light-house protectors, 3 vessels.
- And of those three there can be little doubt which finds most favour in Hong-kong. We may add that the Chinese Government vessels at Shanghai, Tientsin and Foochow are entirely officered by Chinese, Europeans being employed only as instructors. It will thus be seen that our submission to the blockade system is entirely a matter of choice, the force employed being neither so extensive nor effective as is usually supposed. The commanders of the vessels carrying it out are able men and personally popular; but of course some portion of the evil reputations attaching to their duty attaches to themselves, and will continue to do so until they are withdrawn from a service which is inflicting serious damage on the trade of the Colony. We fancy that the statement we have above given might form a useful supplement to the despatches forwarded to Earl Carnarvon by the outgoing mail.

THE SPIRIT OF THE MORNING PRESS.

The Press remarks that foreign improvements can hardly be expected to be introduced into China without some opposition from the natives. Railways especially have always been regarded with aversion. "Though the Chinese have no practical acquaintance with the iron road, they have heard sufficient concerning it to be aware that it is a potent instrument in the work of opening up a country to trade and an effective channel for diffusing liberal and enlightened ideas. This is exactly what Chinese officials do not want. They have no wish for the spread of Western ideas through the country, and dread the influence which extended intercourse with foreigners might have upon the masses of the people." They also view railroads as profitable to foreign constructors only. Still, when we remember the equally stupid arguments used in Great Britain against the railway when first introduced there, we shall not be indisposed to make allowances for the prejudices existing against them in China. The Press notes the case in which a native landowner at Wuning sold some ground to the Railway Company for which he has been flogged to death. It expresses a hope that the case will be taken up by the British Consul, and that punishment will overtake the officials concerned.

THE HONGKONG NATIVE PRESS.

The Chinese Mail gives a translation of the correspondence on the Blockade question by the Chamber of Commerce.

The *Chung Ngai San Po* (the Chinese issue of the *Daily Press*) commenting on the remark of the Queen of England, that England should join with Germany, Prussia and Austria in dictating reforms to Turkey, says England should not do so, and adduces two reasons. First, the three powers have formed an alliance with the object of injuring England—ultimately. Secondly, she should not give her assistance unthought.

The *Universal Circulating Herald* comments on the Turkish reform question. It says if Turkey becomes the territory of Russia, the latter will have the whole command of the Black Sea. If such an eventuality is consummated, Russia will be the most powerful country in Europe. Therefore, the protection afforded to Turkey by Germany and Austria is given from motives of self-preservation.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The furniture sale at "Idowild" will take place on Monday, 28th.

The British ship *Weymouth* (Hunt) arrived at San Francisco on Jan. 18, after a passage of 95 days from Hongkong.

We are informed by the Agents that the S. S. *Diomed* left Singapore for this port to-day, the 16th instant.

Admiral Ryder arrived from Manila in H. M. S. *Vigilant* to-day. His flag-ship, *Audacious*, was hourly expected at Manila when the *Vigilant* left that port.

The *Himalaya*, with H. M. S. 30th Regt. on board, steamed away from her anchorage at 4.45 a.m. to-day, the Band on board playing the favourite farewell airs.

No. 4 of *Waffles* *Monthly*, besides the usual amount of good humour local jokes, contains a report of the Amoy Races. Most of his fun bears either upon the Races or the recent visit of the Hongkong Cricket team. *Waffles* has much improved in appearance.

Several members of the Foreign branch of the Imperial Maritime Customs staff arrived in the steamer *Douglas* to-day, from Swatow, en route for the port of Kungshobow, Hainan. They will proceed to Canton in a day or two, where they will await the arrival of Mr. Forrest, H. B. M.'s Consul also for the new port. It is understood that the Consular and Customs staff will be conveyed to Hainan by the *Ling-Feng*, which is now nearly ready for sea.

An inquest was held this afternoon (16) by Mr. Russell, coroner, at the Government Civil Hospital, on the body of one Thos. Towning, a seaman on board the S. S. *Penedo*. The deceased complained of slight illness yesterday evening and died suddenly this morning. As the vessel was leaving for Bangkok (in fact she had already left) but returned to port on account of this occurrence, and as the doctor had not had time to make a post mortem examination, the enquiry was adjourned until the steamer's return. The following Jury was empanelled: Messrs J. J. Turner, Steel and W. P. Moore. It is believed the deceased died of heart disease.

This case of Whittall and another v. Benecke, Bouche & Co., has been at last brought to a termination. An elaborate judgment—which we hope shortly to publish in *extenso*—was delivered by both Sir John Smale and Mr. Justice Snowden to-day. The Court declares that the eight impeached deeds are fraudulent preferences, and that they are void as against the plaintiffs, the trustees under the trust deed of April 19th, 1875, and that all the eight deeds and the title deeds relating to the several properties must be given up to the plaintiffs. No costs.

The question of costs formed the subject of discussion, Mr. Haylar contending that their Lordships' decision was exactly the same as a verdict of the jury, and the rule was that costs should follow judgment. This was no doubt, as he had said before, a great hardship on the defendants, but the claim being for trust money, the question of hardship should not be taken into consideration. Sir John Smale observed that if this had been a bankruptcy case, he knew where the costs would have come from. They would have had to come out of the estate, but this was an equity case. He asked if he was to reserve the question. The A. G. urged the great hardship on the defendants, who should, in addition to the loss of their £20,000, be made to pay costs. His Lordship thought it a hard case too. Finally Mr. Haylar was satisfied that there should be no order made as to costs at present, as the case would have probably to be decided by a higher Court.

Mr. Haylar, Q.C., and Mr. Handley, instructed by Messrs Caldwell and Breton, appeared for the plaintiffs. The Attorney General, the Hon. Mr. Bramston, and Mr. Kingmill, instructed by Messrs Sharp, Toller and Johnson, appeared for the defendants.

The English Mail was not landed last evening till 7.45, three hours after it was signalled. The American Mail, although signalled nearly an hour and a half later, was ashore first. Neither steamer brings us very much that is new or strange. There are no later telegrams concerning the Prince's movements in India than those we have already published.

From our San Francisco exchanges, we note one or two items:—

There will be a fair shipment of treasure by the China steamer. Up to the present about \$160,000 has been placed aboard, including \$63,400 in fine silver by the Hong-kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and \$50,000 by the Bank of California, of which \$22,000 is in fine silver, and the remainder in Trade Dollars.

The steamer *Great Republic*, which has been lying idle in port since October 17th, will be again placed in the China service, to sail hence February 1st.

London, Jan. 12.—It is reported that when the Egyptians lately occupied the town of Braya, belonging to the Sultan of Zanibar, Mr. Kirk, British Consul, who went to seek an explanation, was obstructed in entering the town by Egyptian troops. Their commander refused to apologize for the insult. Mr. Kirk accordingly threatened to order the British man-of-war *Thetis* to bombard the town. The Egyptian Commander sent an apology to the Consul an hour before the notice of bombardment expired. The *Thetis* had taken up her position and was cleared for action. Consul Kirk, after receiving an apology at Braya, obliged the Commander to repeat it before the principal chiefs of the town, and informed him that he would be held responsible for any ill-treatment of inhabitants or pillage by his troops.

New York, Jan. 11.—The hostilities between the Pacific Mail Company and the Panama Railroad Company are again the talk of the street. The Panama Railroad Company threatens to evade the injunction which is in force by running an opposition steamboat line as an individual enterprise, with Commodore Garrison to manage it. The Pacific Mail Company threatens to make arrangements with the proprietors of the Costa Rica Railroad enterprise unless the Panama people desist. The Pacific Mail officials state that they can save one hundred miles by using the Costa Rica road. The entire line, they claim, can be completed within six months.

Messrs Higgs & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report, Pagoda Anchorage, 12th Feb., 1876.—

Arrivals During the Week.—Feb. 5, Kwang Tung, from Hongkong; 6, Chun Shen, from Hongkong; 8, Douglas, from Hongkong; 9, Yung Ching, from Hongkong.

Departures During the Week.—Feb. 6, Teco, for Hongkong; 8, Lulu, for Shang-

hai; 8, Taku, for Shanghai; 9, Kwang Tung, for Hongkong; 11, Yung Ching, for Hongkong.

Shipping in Port.—Charles Palmer, Midge, Marie Heydon, Chinn Sheng, Douglas.

(London and China Express.)

It is announced from Hong Kong that Vice-Admiral Byrd, Commander-in-Chief in China, has promoted his flag-lieutenant, Mr. Adolphus F. St. Clair, to the rank of commander, into the vacancy caused by the lamented death of Commander Grosvenor Stopford. Lieutenant St. Clair's seniority dates from 1870, and it appears that the Admiralty have declined to confirm the appointment, Commander H. N. Hippeley having been this week gazetted to the command of the *Hornet*. By a circular issued this year their lordships abolished all haul-down promotions and death-vacancy promotions from that date, all commander-in-chiefs with their flags flying at the date of the circular to be exempt. This small remnant of patronage has therefore been taken away from flag-officers.

The *Sheldrake*, a screw composite gunboat, Lieut.-Commander J. D. Hays, which was commissioned last month, for service on the China station, left Plymouth Sound on the 3rd inst. She will call at Gibraltar and Malta, and proceed through the Suez Canal.

A Parliamentary Paper has been published, showing the changes and alterations which have been made in the Consular Service since January 1, 1872. The following are the ports in the Far East which have been increased in pay and allowances to Consuls, namely, Saigon, Manila, Suva, and Ilo Ilo, and the ports abolished are those of Vice-Consul at Manila and Suva. It may be remembered that the former post was for some time held by Mr. Spencer, who before that time was in the service of the Municipal Council at Shanghai. The result of the above named return is a gross increase of £20,405, a gross decrease of £17,085, or net increase of £2,310.

We understand (the *Army and Navy Gazette* says) that extensive orders have been received by private firms in England, through agents of the Chinese Imperial Government, for detached portions of Martini-Henry rifles in the rough, which are to be made ready for transmission to the East with as little delay as possible. They will be "assembled" and finished in the various arsenals belonging to China, to which we adverted in our columns a short time since. We have reason for believing, moreover, that this is in contemplation by the Celestial authorities to obtain a further and larger number of these weapons of precision in a similar manner.

The agency of the Merchants Marine Insurance Co. at Hong Kong has been transferred to Messrs. Douglas, Laprak and Co. Mr. Arthur Smith and Mr. Thomas Pike have established themselves at 34, Fenchurch-street, under the style of Birley, Smith, and Co., in connection with Messrs. Birley and Co., China.

Alexander Alisch, late of China, confidential clerk to Messrs. Alfred Beidermann and Co., stockbrokers, of Angel-court, has been charged at the Guildhall before Sir Thomas White with embezzling between £4,000 and £5,000 belonging to his employers. Evidence was given respecting two or three cases of misappropriation of money, and the accused was remanded.

At Marseilles on the 6th a fire broke out on board the Messageries Maritimes steamer *Zeoply*, of the China line. Several engines were set to work to subdue the flames, which were only got under by submerging the fore part of the vessel in Port Jettée. Eight of the crew were severely suffocated, but their lives have been saved by medical aid. No one was killed.

The fine steamship *Candia*, 320 by 404 by 26½, and 2,650 tons gross, lately one of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company's mail steamers, having just been thoroughly overhauled and refitted for the China trade by Messrs. James Howden and Co., besides being re-engined by that firm with their compound engines of 300 nominal horse power, capable of working to 1,500-horse power, had a trial of her new machinery on the 1st inst. The results obtained were of the most satisfactory kind. The *Candia* is also so arranged that she can be fitted as a transport or troop ship on very short notice. She has already been employed by the Government in that capacity, having been chartered to carry the troops during the Ashantee war.

The following officers, whose last term of service was on the China station, have received appointments as under:—Captain F. C. B. Robinson (in the *Princess Charlotte*, from 1870 to 1871) to the *Opal*, 14 screw corvette, Sheerness; Lieutenant H. H. Brooke (in the *Cadmus*, from 1870 to 1874) to the *Excellent*, gunnery-ship at Portsmouth; Lieutenants J. S. Murgidger and C. E. Reynard (in the *Kestrel*, in 1870) to the *Kestrel*, 4 gun-vessel (re-appointed); Navigating-Lieutenant H. J. Dockrell (in the *Salamis*, from 1874 to 1876) to the *Proteus*, 4 gun-vessel; Mr. C. O. Weeks, engineer (in the *Salamis* from 1873 to 1874), to the *Boadicea*, 16 corvette, sailing out at Portsmouth; Mr. A. H. Bentley, first-class assistant-engineer (in the *Assistance*, troopship, from 1873 to 1876), to the *Assistance*, troopship; Mr. W. H. Bennett, staff-surgeon (in the *Princess Charlotte*, from 1873 to 1874), to the *Assistance*; Mr. A. Thompson, paymaster (in the *Iron Duke*, from 1870 to 1876), to the *Union*, drill-ship at Dundee; Mr. P. Rickard, boatswain (in the *Rinaldo*, from 1870 to 1874), to the *Crocodile*, Indian troopship; Mr. F. Standish, boatswain (in the *Iron Duke*, from 1873 to 1876), to the *Valiant*, coastguard ship in the River Shannon; Mr. G. Davis, carpenter (in the *Zebr*, from 1871 to 1873), to the *Emerald*, corvette, building at Pembroke.

Captain C. S. Williams, B.M.A., has been appointed Gunnery Instructor to the Royal Marine Artillery, vice Major Major Brydges, whose period of staff service has expired. He will be succeeded as Recruiting Officer in the London district by Captain J. D. Broughton, B.M.L., who recently returned home with the battalion of Royal Marines from Japan.

Lieutenant Collingwood Foxwell, who has gone out to China in the *Junco*, has only been appointed in order that he may complete his sea time, one year, necessary to qualify him for gunnery lieutenant. He will, therefore, be home again at the end of 1876.

Captain C. H. Brooke, of the 15th Regiment, assumed his new duties at Shanghai on the 1st inst., on return home from Hong-kong.

The *Zeus*, a 400, 1,042 tons, 454-horse power, which is fitting out at Chatham Dock-yard as a surveying vessel for the China Coast, is now nearly completed. She has been in hand many months, but it was found necessary to replace many of her timbers, owing to their very decayed state. The masts of the vessel have been put in, and the rigging is being commenced.

Felice Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. C. May.)

16th February, 1876.

Wong Ah-shin, a coolie, was charged with breaking into the house of a Chinese rent-collector residing at Shek-tong-tai. The prisoner was committed for trial.

ANNALEE.

A Delpho, a French cook at the Oriental Hotel, was summoned by Leung Cheuk Pow, a shroff at the Hongkong Hotel, for an assault. The complainant presented two bills to the defendant for payment, and he only paid \$2, leaving \$2 still due. He took the bills into his hands and was going away with them, when the complainant asked him to return them, taking hold of his hand at the same time. The defendant, who was about going upstairs, turned round and struck the complainant on the cheek and nose, drawing blood. The defendant admitted that he struck the complainant because he caught hold of him by the shirt and tore it. Fined \$5.

SELLING SAMBAU.

Li Aung, master of the *Tseng Shing* chandler's shop, No. 32, High Street, was charged with selling sambau without a license. The defendant said he intended to take out a license. He had been to the Registrar General twice, once with a petition on Tuesday last, when he was directed to attend on Saturday last. He did so with his securities, but a Chinese clerk sent him away, saying he had no time then, and that he was to come again yesterday. A shop-coolie was then sent to the office with the view of getting the license, but meantime the shop was visited by the Police, and he therefore desisted. A reference was then made to the Registrar General, to ascertain the truth or otherwise of the defendant's allegations. Mr. Tommochy replied to the effect that the defendant's application had been forwarded to the Colonial Secretary's office on the 11th, but had not yet been returned as granted. The defendant had been distinctly told that he was not to sell any liquor until he obtained his license. Fined \$10.

ASALTAT.

Two Chinese Lokongs, stationed at Whitfield Station, were summoned for assaulting a blacksmith, and were fined \$5 and \$1 respectively.

DRUNKENNESS.

Sheik Futtoo, fireman S.S. *Gwalior*, was fined 50 cents and to pay 10 cents for chair-hire for being drunk at Gibb's Wharf.

Sheik Abdulah, a fireman unemployed, was fined \$3 for a similar offence. He was chasing people about the street.

DISEASED PORK.

Two Chinamen were brought up for sending a pig sick with measles to the Slaughter House to be slaughtered. It was brought there about seven o'clock, and died about half an hour after arrival. The 2nd defendant said he bought the pig of the 1st. Fined \$25 each.

Two other Chinamen were brought up for a similar offence. The difference in this case was the fact that the pigs were apparently well when brought to the Slaughter House, but they were discovered to be ill with measles about nine hours after. Mr. May remanded the case, in order that enquiries might be made as to whether pigs were liable to sudden eruptions of this kind.

China.

FOOCHOW.

(Fuchow Herald.)

We regret to state that the proposed Spring Race Meeting has been unavoidably abandoned, owing to the Tartar General's refusal to lend the ground to the Club.

We understand that a piratical craft has been seen in the neighborhood of this port, during the last few days, and that her presence is causing some anxiety to the district authorities. H. B. M.'s gunboat *Midge* is, we believe, going out in quest of her.

Later advices from Peking state that Ting A-cheong's acceptance of office as Fatai, or Governor of this Province, is insisted upon. His Excellency will accordingly, we understand, assume the seals in a few days.

The local authorities may be complimented on having at least one public work of utility in hand. An effort is being made to widen the northern approach to the Long Bridge, with a view to relieving the great press of traffic at that point.

We are informed that a preacher of the English Church Mission who rented a building in Yen-ping, for temporary residence, about the time the American Methodist Chapel was destroyed by a mob, has been driven out, with his family, who have found refuge for the time at one of the Methodist Chapels further down the river. The mob seem to be still rampant, and are threatening to drive Christianity from the Prefecture entirely. The flag inscribed, "FORGIVE US," "Expel and Destroy the Foreign Barbarians," are still flying, and vile placards against foreigners still adorn the walls of the city. Meanwhile, the native officials content themselves with writing dictatorial and lying despatches; and are, undoubtedly, laying up more trouble for the future.

CHINAMEN.

Messrs Spencer and Wolff report that during the past three weeks business in Canton Goods has been suspended. The country dealers left the port before the New Year holidays, and not having returned their market cannot yet be quoted as fairly opened. We hear of a few transactions with local traders in the City. Shilling quotations. The business here passed over quietly, and no important failures are reported among the native merchants. Many banks having lost heavily during the past year, several have closed, and as the facilities for speculation will thus be considerably curtailed, business during the present year seems likely to be conducted on a more solid basis.—*Sandwood*. Common quality, of which the stocks mainly consist, is selling at £1. 6. 60 per pound, and a small parcel of fine wood has found buyers at £1. 6. 55 per pound.—*Malesia Opium*. The market is very irregular, but may be quoted as weak, at £1. 4. 50 per picul for best drug.

16th Feb.

NANKING.

(Courier Correspondent.)

February 8th, 1876.

The great event, of course, since my last, has been the incoming of the New Year; in honour of which business has been suspended, and the industrious Chinaman is taking his annual holiday. All on the street are well dressed, and each one is wishing his neighbour wealth and happiness,—two things, by the bye, rather scarce in this flowery kingdom. The weather has been very severe since the last day of the old year. On that day the snow fell to a depth of three inches, and the hard frost which followed kept it on the ground for more than a week, to the great disgust of showmen, tumblers, and such like. The Governor-General still holds out in his war against the opium dens, and all the natives of whom I have enquired agree in asserting positively that there is not one opium den open in the entire city. It is to be hoped he will be able to hold on in this course, though it is said that the fifty thousand opium smokers living within the walls are not very patient under their heavy afflictions. Many military mandarins have been bamboozled for grumbling, but theory is still theory grumble. The next step is, so it is rumored, to allow opium to be bought at only one place, and there at an exorbitant price. I have been repeatedly asked by men on the streets if I could help them to overcome the habit, or if I had any medicine which would cure them; to all of which I replied that the only effective way is to gradually reduce the quantity, and at the same time live well. But probably they will think, like Naaman of old, that that is far too simple, and spend their money in the purchase of some quack medicine, to be taken on some lucky day, at the full of the moon, or some other time. I notice in the *Daily News* of the 18th ult., an extract from the *China Mail*, giving a novel plan adopted by the new Viceroy of the two Kiang of putting down immorality,—that of removing all respectable houses to the main thoroughfares and allowing the entrances thereto to be only three feet by one. The *Mail* is generally correct in its information on native matters, but this time is the exception; as, although talked about, it has not been as yet adopted. Should it be, it would put some of the corrupt, fur-robed, and satin-booted gentry to considerable trouble to get in.

KIVKIANG.

(Courier Correspondent.)

1st February 1876.

I send you a few scraps of news to-day, if indeed they can be called news; but nearly all the members of the community have been shooting down the river, and considering the bad weather, I have heard that the sport all round has been very fair. It was snowing very hard for three days, and now it rains hard for a change. H.M.S. *Hornet* is here, and we are glad to say that she is going to make a long stay. The river has not been so low for several years before, and at the moment I am writing the *Panah* and *Fung-shun* are ashore on the bar at Oliphant Island, and the *Fyehow* waiting on the other side of the bar, not having enough water to cross. For some time the steamers were obliged to tranship their cargoes both at Oliphant and Hunter Islands. We are busily engaged in putting a stone facing to the bund instead of the old wooden one that was always under repair; the intention is to raise the bund four inches too, so as to avoid the previous years' flooding. This morning a quantity of crackers were fired in front of the Custom house, and on enquiry it was found that it was the *Tao-tai*, who had taken the New Year's opportunity to salute (or wish a happy New Year to) the foreign residents.

COMMERCIAL.

Feb. 16, 1876.

Throughout the closing fortnight a languid feeling prevailed in the market for Bengal Opium, excepting on two occasions when an active demand existed for Patna, and the holders of the drug, as might be expected, freely availed themselves of the opportunity of effecting sales. The unusual circumstances of no new drug having come forward by the direct steamers of the month, has, however, made the native dealers to operate with a reserve, and the call for the drug has been accordingly governed by the extent of the actual requirements for the consuming towns. Under such a state of things, the rate for the drug may be said to have been well maintained; and the more favorable rates of exchange appear to have in a measure aided the importers in not pressing sales at the time of the departure of the Indian packets. To-day's rate is \$602½.

The local demand for Benares has been unimportant, and with a good supply at the Coast ports, the market for the drug is heavy at the present quotation of \$567½. The receipts for the month, so far, aggregate 3,525 chests, against 3,250 chests for the corresponding date last year. During the fortnight some 760 chests have been taken by the local consumers, against 350 chests at the corresponding fortnight last year. This, with the exportations, leaves a stock computed at 2,700 chests, against 3,200 chests same time last year. Of this quantity last year 650 chests were Benares, of which kind the present stock comprises 1,000 chests.

Messrs HIGGINS & Co.'s Freight Circular, for the Mail of Thursday, 17th Feb. 1876, says:—

The freight market during the past fortnight has been more active, and a fair business has been done both homeward and coastwise, although rates show very little improvement.

Homeward demand has been chiefly from the Philippines, and more tonnage is wanted. From Canton waters only one settlement is reported, and there is no further enquiry at present.

Coastwise, the principal business has been done for Saigon, while Bangkok remains neglected. For the North a few settlements have taken place at slightly improved rates. The British ship *Stirling*, 1,000 tons, left for Rangoon; and the British bark *Jun & Pearson*, 607 tons, left for Saigon, under orders from home. The British bark *E. M. Young*, 845 tons, left for Saigon, "seeking" for Singapore, "seeking." The Italian bark *Thine Perla*, 660 tons, left for Bangkok as load loaded for Marseilles under home charter.

The discharged tonnage in port amounts to 87 vessels, registering 30,822 tons.

The following are the settlements:—

British ship *Stirling*, 1,000 tons, Whampoa to London, private.

British bark *Jun & Pearson*, 607 tons, Cebu to London, private.

British ship *Sir William Wallace*, 968 tons, Iloilo to New York, private.

Italian bark *Alfredo*, 909 tons, Iloilo to New York, private.

American bark *William H. Beane*, 1026 tons, Manila to San Francisco, private.

British bark *Liberator*, 690 tons, Manila to San Francisco, private.

British bark *Spirit of the Age*, 347 tons, to Melbourne and Sydney, £775 in full, 30 lay days.

British steamer *Crocus*, 986 tons, to San Francisco, (Monthly Charter), private.

German bark *Centaur*, 468 tons, to Portland, (Oregon), private.

American bark *Garibaldi*, 670 tons, to Portland, (Oregon), private.

German bark *Beethoven*, 340 tons, Bangkok to Sourabaya, (inside the Bar), 27½ cents per picul; (outside the Bar), 22½ cents per picul, 85 lay days.

British bark *Kate Waters*, 580 tons, Saigon to Sourabaya, 24 cents per picul, 30 lay days; and Bangkok to Hongkong (Timber), \$3,100 in full, 50 lay days.

French bark *Asia Mineure*, 581 tons, Saigon to Sourabaya, 25 cents per picul, 20 lay days.

British steamer *Cheops*, 984 tons, Saigon to Sourabaya, 32 cents per picul, 14 lay days.

British steamer *Consolation*, 768 tons, to Singapore, \$2,500 in full; and Saigon to Hongkong, 20 cents per picul.

British steamer *Ariston Asper*, 959 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 16 cents per picul, 8 lay days.

French steamer *Gunga*, 971 tons, to Manila and back, \$9,000 in full.

German bark *Cap Horn*, 401 tons, Rejang to Hongkong, (Timber), \$10 per ton of 50 lb.

British bark *Naworth Castle*, 851 tons, Keelung to Hongkong, \$2 per ton of 20 cwt, 15 lay days.

British bark *Cito*, 216 tons, Keelung to Hongkong, \$2 per ton of 20 cwt, 14 lay days.

British bark *Cito*, 216 tons, Whampoa to Tientsin, and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 80 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

German bark *Anna*, 447 tons, Whampoa to Chefoo, and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 87½ cents per picul, 35 lay days.

British bark *Lochiel*, 216 tons, Whampoa to Tientsin, and back to Whampoa via Newchwang, 88 cents per picul, 35 lay days.

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Hongkong, February 8, 1876. mol

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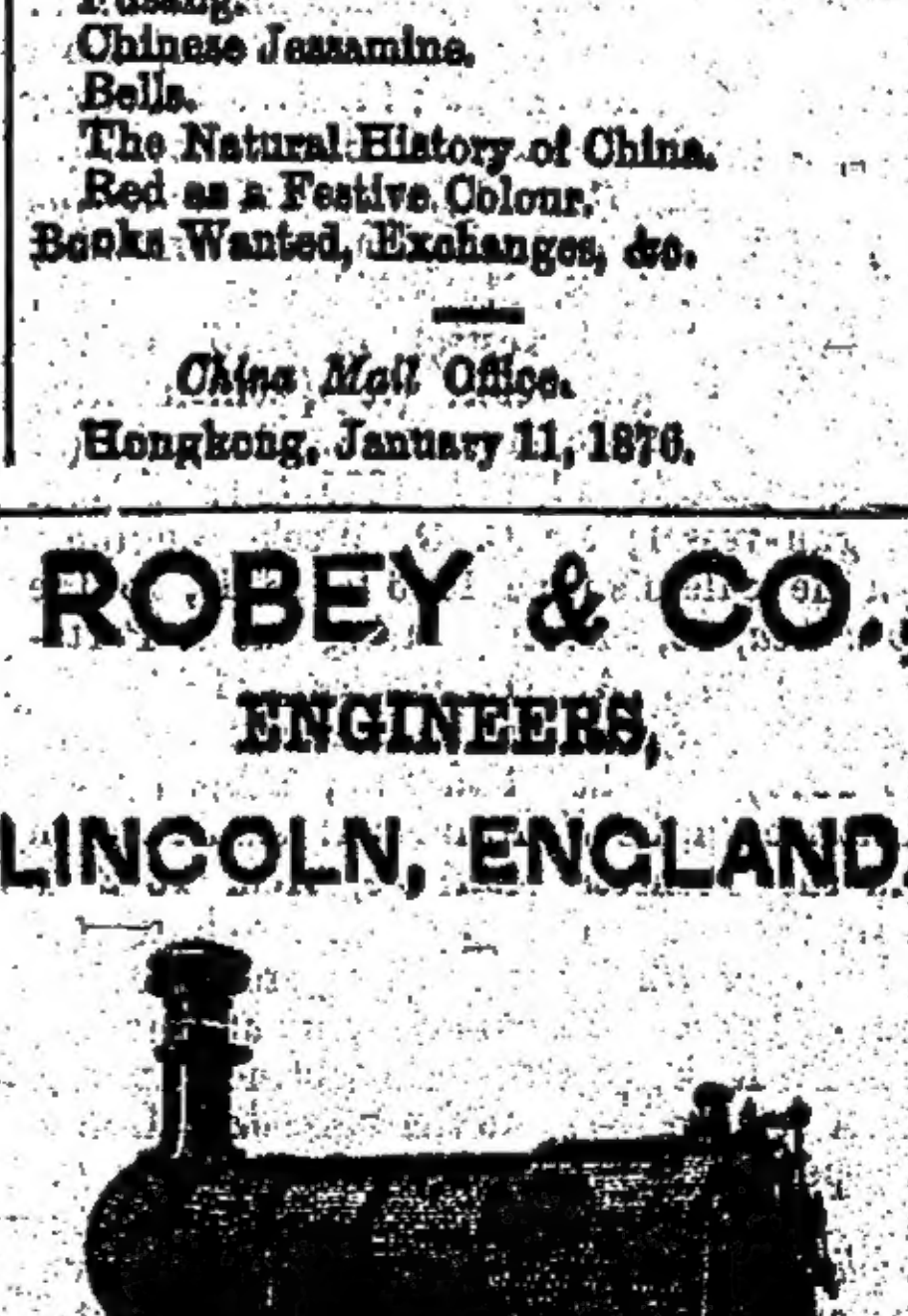
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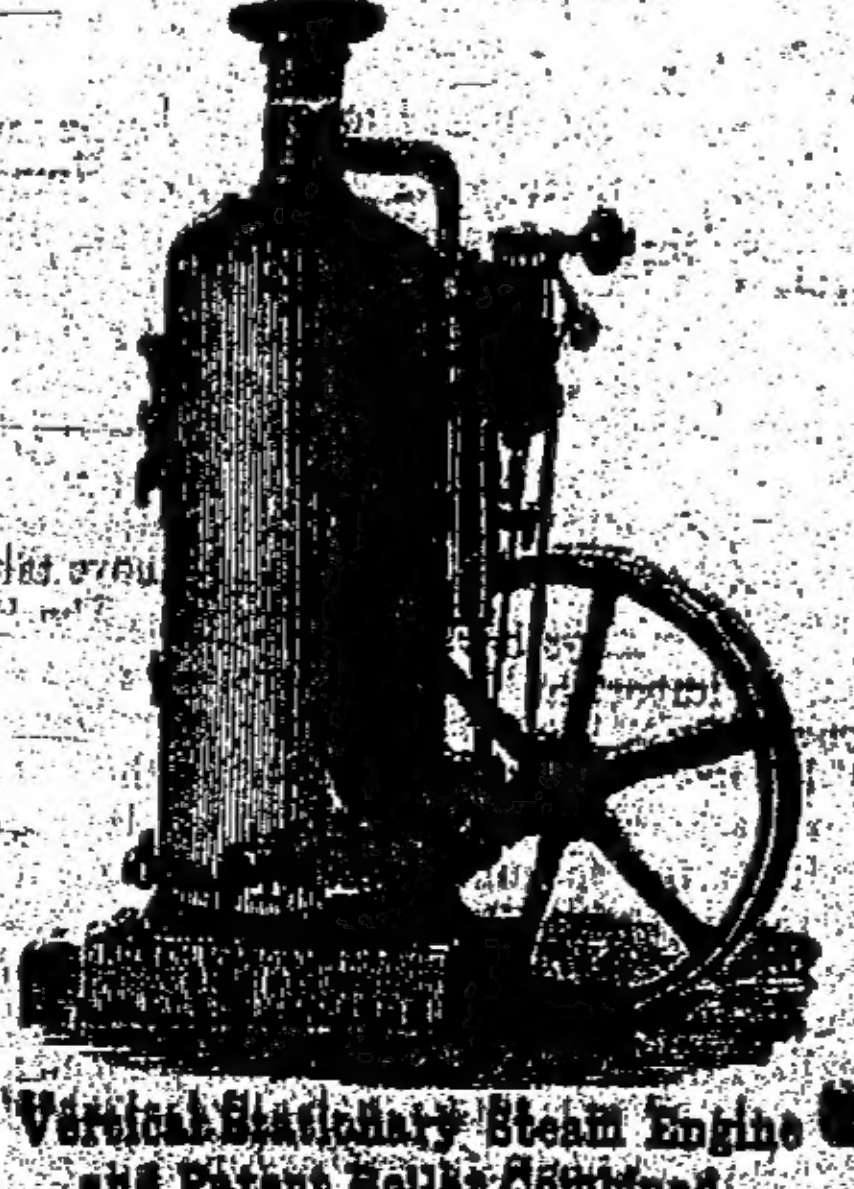
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